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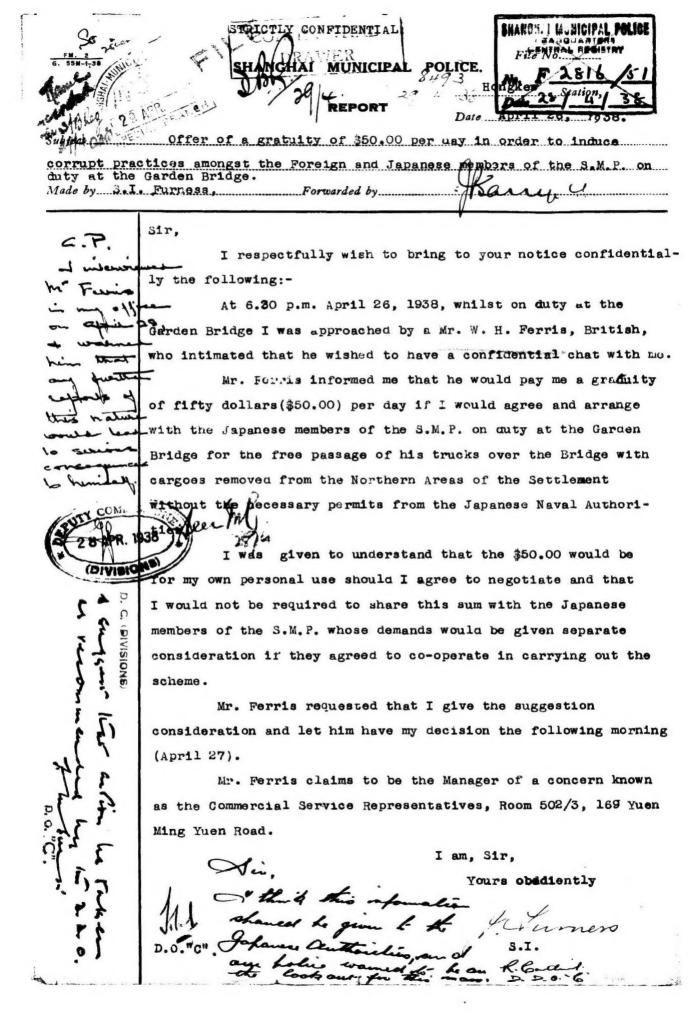
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S.1 Special Branch Xxxionx REPORT

Date January 4, 10 37.

Subject "Commercial Service Representatives," private enquiry agents.

Made by D.P.S. Henchman Forwarded by (Sgd.) G.N. Moore D.S.I.

With reference to the attached letter-head I have to state that the concern known as "Commercial Service Representatives" is a branch of the firm of "Kentwells" Law Offices. run by L.K. Kentwell (File I.O. 4101). This firm occupies the greater part of the 3rd floor at No. 505 Honan Road, the branch referred to above occupies one small room and is managed by W.H. Ferris, a British Eurasian, who, until recently, was employed as a representative by the Crown Life Insurance Company. is believed to have misappropriated certain funds entrusted to him on behalf of the insurance company and though he was not prosecuted, it is alleged that it was on this account that he was dismissed. Ferris, suffering from an internal complaint, is at present a patient in the General Hospital; his address is at 836 Avenue Joffre.

The staff of "Commercial Service Representatives" consists of Ferris and of Ferris alone. This rather inadequate personnel would seem to preclude the possibility of the firm being able to carry out the various kinds of commercial service which they list on their pretentious letter-head. Business is in fact very small and there is no reason to suppose that apart from L.K. Kentwell, the firm has other legal advisers.

Kentwell's staff consists of a Chinese lawyer, Tang Wei Chung, and six or seven Chinese clerks.

(Sgd.) D. Henchman.

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## Non-Registered Britons Fined By Magistrate

In the British police court yesterday, Magistrate C. H. Haines fined Mr. William Hooper, Ferris \$20 for naving form 18% to 93% inclusive. Also appearing before Mr. Haines was William Alfrew Morgan who was also fined \$20 for having failed to register from 1934 to 1937 inclusive. Both were given two months in which to pay their fines. A warning was issued to British subjects who are not registered.

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